

APPENDIX A

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In re Application of:
Tapas Mukhopadhyay, *et al.*

Serial No.: 10/043,877

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Group Art Unit: 1642

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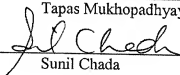
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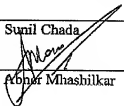
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